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**COMMENT OF THE DAY**

**The Final Offer**

THE possibility of a complete breakdown in the Korean truce talks can no longer be ignored, General Ridgway, backed by President Truman in Washington and Mr Eden in London, has declared that the United Nations have now made and offered the maximum in the way of concessions. The "parcel" solution to the current impasse must be accepted by the Communists, says Mr Truman, otherwise they must hold themselves responsible for the consequences. The Reds' rejection of the latest United Nations' proposals is anything but encouraging; nevertheless, it is to be noted that they have not been incontinentally rejected. The Communists' chief delegate at the truce talks utilised yesterday's session at Panmunjom for a propaganda outburst—typical of the Reds' first reaction to numerous other proposals which the UN have advanced during the negotiations of the past ten months. But the fact that the Communists requested a further meeting today suggests that they do not want to take the responsibility for calling off the talks, for they would then stand convicted before the world of having failed to make every effort to achieve an armistice.

THE developments during the recent secret sessions at Panmunjom which have been revealed this week are not without interest and importance. Both sides offered concessions—the United Nations not to insist on the ban on the construction of airfields during the armistice, and the Communists to leave Russia out of the neutral commission to be established for supervising the terms of the truce. Only on one issue now is there sharp cleavage of opinion—repatriation of prisoners of war. The United Nations are willing to return to the Reds only those prisoners who have not expressed the desire to remain south of the 38th Parallel. The Communists are insisting that all prisoners be exchanged. The United Nations, quite fairly, believe they have gone to the limit in concessions on this subject. It is remembered that they previously gave way when the dispute centred around whether POW exchange should be total, irrespective of the disparity in the number of prisoners held by each side, or whether the exchange should be on the basis of man for man. The UN originally held out for the latter method, but to help speed up the negotiations towards success conceded in part to the Communist proposal.

IN truth the Allies have given as much ground as is either feasible or sensible, and opinion has now hardened in Washington, London and Paris that the last of the concessions has been made. The "parcel" proposition which General Ridgway has put forward quite obviously constitutes a fair solution to the truce talks conflict. Nor is there any acceptable reason why the Reds should not agree to the proposals. Honourable compromise has been attained on all other issues; an armistice is ready, and waiting only the proper gesture from the Communists. It must be clear to the Reds that the Allies are determined a settlement should be reached on the basis of the latest proposals, for Britain has added her firm voice to that of the United States in support of the Ridgway offer. The only justification for further meetings at Panmunjom is willingness on the part of the Communists to accept this new, and what can almost certainly be regarded as last offer by the United Nations.

**Ridgway Orders Army To Free Kidnapped General**

**DODD REPORTED UNHARMED: WRITES A LETTER TO HQ**

Seoul, May 9.

General Matthew B. Ridgway today (Friday) instructed the Eighth Army "to take whatever action is required and to use whatever force is necessary" to free Brigadier-General Francis T. Dodd, a prisoner of the Communists on Koje Island.

Gen. Ridgway handed these instructions to General James A. Van Fleet, Eighth Army Commander, shortly before the Supreme Allied Commander left Korea for the last time. Ridgway said these orders would be in effect to prevent any such incidents occurring in the future.

Gen. Ridgway, who leaves on Monday from Tokyo to assume his command as head of NATO in Europe, called the seizure of Dodd "a flagrant" disregard for authority.

"I have little if anything to add to those details which have already been released by the Eighth Army," Gen. Ridgway said.

He said that the United Nations have given the Communist prisoners on Koje Island fair treatment and will continue to do so. — Associated Press.

**Govt's Plan To Denationalise The Trucking Industry**

London, May 8.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill's Government, under promise to turn Britain back from Socialism, announced plans today to sell the nationalised trucking industry back to private owners. At the same time, the nationalised railways will be decentralised and competition with private truckers encouraged in the interests of greater efficiency to the transportation-using public.

The proposed changes in Britain's transportation set-up accompanied a major shake-up in the Churchill Cabinet. Mr Alan Lennox Boyd, newly appointed Transport Minister, will introduce legislation in the House of Commons to denationalise trucking and decentralise the railways.

Turning the trucking industry back to private enterprise will be the first denationalisation after more than six years of Socialism. After trucking Mr Churchill has promised to denationalise steel. Mr Lennox Boyd's appointment, announced today, was one of the six changes in the Cabinet shake-up. It was touched off on Tuesday by the resignation of Mr John Maclean, Transport Minister. The official reason for the resignation was ill health, but Labour Party sources said that Mr Maclean was fired because he differed with Mr Churchill on transport policy.

**LOSS TO GOVT.**

A Government White Paper forecast a loss to the Government in dividing up the trucking industry and selling it back to private interests. This indicated that private enterprise may not be so eager to take back the industry unless it gets a good deal.

The steel industry will be harder to sell back for Labour has threatened to nationalise it right back again when the Socialists come back to office.

Estimates of the probable loss to the Government in selling the trucking industry run as high as \$50,000,000. To make up the loss a levy based on tonnage will be imposed. It is expected to yield about \$11,200,000 annually. The levy on private trucks will also be used to compensate the railroads for some of the losses they are expected to take from the expansion of trucking and which cannot be covered by shutting down lines.

Trucking and the railroads were nationalised by the Labour Government on January 1, 1948. The White Paper said that experience has shown that the railroads are too centralised and could not meet the competition of the individual and specialised service afforded by truckers before nationalisation. — United Press.

**Students And Police In Fracas**

Tokyo, May 9.

About 35 students were injured, nine seriously, when a group of about 1,000 Waseda University students this morning (Friday) attempted to prevent the entry of some 350 police into the University premises, according to the Kyodo News Agency. Club swinging police charged into the students to release two plainclothesmen who were held incommunicado by the students since 4:30 p.m. yesterday.

The two were in search of a number of students for whom they had arrest warrants. Those wanted were alleged to have had taken active part in the bloody May Day riot at the Imperial Plaza.

Kyodo said the two were detained and surrounded by about 30 students who challenged their right to enter the University grounds.

**REINFORCEMENTS**

Police later brought up reinforcements when the students refused to release the two. In the meantime the students brought their number to about 1,000 with the participation of night class students.

Failing to get their two men released after much haggling with the students, the police finally got their order to force their way into the cordon of students. It was then about 1 a.m., more than eight hours after the two plainclothesmen were held up.

Kyodo said the students appeared to have refrained using violence to resist the police.

In addition, to the nine students reported injured, two members of the Waseda University faculty were also injured slightly. One of Kyodo's reporters was caught in the midst of the scuffle and got beaten. The students, said Kyodo, charged. It was injured by the police. — Associated Press.

**IGNORE DEMANDS**

Tokyo, May 9.

A written note from the United Nations prison commandant, Brigadier-General Francis T. Dodd, said he was unharmed by the Communist prisoners holding him captive on Koje Island, off Japan.

The United Nations announced this last night and confirmed reports that the Communists had overpowered General Dodd and dragged him into a prisoner compound on May 7.

An official report said the prisoners have "ignored" demands for General Dodd's release. Efforts to effect his safe release from the kidnappers continued, the announcement said, but it withheld further details.

General Dodd, given command of the "Riot Island" after two recent heavy casualty riots, was seized two days ago when talking with Communist leaders at the gate of one of the 33 United Nations compounds on Koje Island.

Prisoners used barbed wire fairs, cohes and home-made bombs in two recent riots, in which 81 prisoners and one American were killed and 168 prisoners hurt.

Officials here did not know what ransom was demanded for the General or whether his seizure was connected with the truce deadlock over the United Nations refusal to return 70,000 prisoners afraid to go back.

**GETS AWAY**

Another officer with him when he was kidnapped managed to get away.

An 8th Army announcement on General Dodd's seizure said: "Brigadier-General Francis T. Dodd, United Nations Commanding General of prisoner of war camp No. 1 on Koje Island, was forcibly seized by Communist prisoners of war and is being held in the camp against his will. The demand for his immediate release is being ignored by the Communists."

"General Dodd, with another officer, was conferring with Communist leaders at the gate to one of the compounds at about 1:15 hours, local time, May 7 (0800 GMT Wednesday). Without warning the two officers were seized and taken to the enclosure by the prisoners. The second officer escaped and made his way to freedom."

"General Dodd was overpowered and held by the Communists." — Reuter.

**FAMILY CONFIDENT**

San Antonio, May 8.

Peggy Dodd said today that she was confident her mother, Brig.-Gen. Francis Dodd, would get away alive from the Communist prisoners who are holding him as a hostage in their compound on Koje Island.

"I know Daddy will get out all right," she said. "The family has all the confidence in the world, although he has never been in trouble like this before."

Peggy said her mother was "shocked" by the news of the capture but was "courageous."

She added that Mrs. Dodd was working hard cleaning their house so she would not think so much about the capture.

Peggy got the news of her father's capture and told her mother. — United Press.



**Contest For Control Of Councils**

**Conservatives On The Defensive**

London, May 8.

The Conservative and Labour Parties today joined the battle for control of local councils in towns and cities throughout England and Wales.

The centres of the struggle were the big industrial cities where elections began filling through the polling booths early today, the highest point of the nation-wide spring elections for local councils.

Labour was confident of maintaining its gains, the Conservatives admit they are on the defensive. They and other anti-Socialists at present control all but 70 of the 392 borough councils.

Only one third of the councillors retire this year and face today's polls.

One of the greatest Labour efforts is being made in the cotton manufacturing areas of Lancashire, where the world recession has brought serious unemployment since Mr Churchill's Conservative Government came to power in the October General Elections.

**LANDSLIDE NEEDED**

Labour contestants hope they will be swept into power in the cotton towns and in the big city of Manchester, where the Conservatives and Liberals have a combined majority of 20.

But only a landslide would carry Labour to power in the cotton port of Liverpool with its Conservative majority of 87.

In the steel city of Birmingham, Labour has hopes of greatly reducing, if not wiping out, the Conservative majority of 35.

Other key battle areas are the wool manufacturing towns of Yorkshire, the industrial area of northeast England around Newcastle, and the thickly populated suburbs of London. The London Metropolitan boroughs are not holding elections this year.

Urban, rural and parish council elections continue in England and Wales throughout this week. Scotland elects its district and county councils next Tuesday.

Of 2,431 seats declared, the anti-Socialists have won 1,202. The Socialists have a net gain of 177.

Full figures were: Conservatives returned 642; gains 63, losses 165. Liberals returned 14; gains three, losses 6.

Independents returned 640; gains 14, losses 88. Socialists returned 1,227; gains 204, losses 27. Communists returned 2; gains nil, losses nil. — Reuter.

**WIN PROBATION**

Manila, May 8.

Twenty-nine Chinese nationals found guilty of pilfering yesterday won their one-year probationary freedom. It was disclosed today.

Their scheduled expulsions have been stayed by President Quirino, an announcement said. The majority of them are small merchants. — Reuter.

**US Now Possesses Atomic Gun**

New York, May 8.

The United States Army boldly claimed today that its first atomic artillery weapon can "hit its target under any weather conditions and give ground troops the kind of devastating close-support never before available in warfare."

Army Secretary Frank C. Pace revealed for the first time some official specifications on the atomic gun which has been tested with non-atomic ammunition.

Speaking before the National Wool Manufacturers Association, Mr Pace said:

"It is essentially an artillery piece—but with immeasurably greater power than any artillery hitherto known."

"Carried on a platform suspended between two engine cars at the front and rear, this highly mobile atomic weapon can travel at a speed of about 35 miles an hour on highways."

"Weighing about 75 tons, it can cross bridges which army engineers are already trained to build for the present heavy divisional equipment."

"It can travel cross country and fit into a landing ship designed for amphibious operations. It can fire with accuracy comparable to conventional artillery and tests indicate it is much more accurate at long ranges." — Associated Press.

**MALAN WINS AGAIN**

Capetown, May 8.

The South African House of Assembly tonight gave a second reading by 79 votes to 65, to the Nationalist Government's bill setting up a "High Court of Parliament" after more than 24 hours' continuous debate.

The Committee Stage of the Bill will be taken up on Monday.

When the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Eben Dönges, ended his reply to the debate tonight, the House had been in continuous session for over 29 hours, except for a dinner break last night. — Reuter.

**Fatal Love For Growing Flowers**

Menton, May 8.

The love of Mentone residents for growing carnations was listed on Thursday as a major cause of the landslides which killed 11 people here on April 24.

An official report said that so many landowners had started growing carnations, sometimes uprooting olive trees to make room for the flowers, that the area did not have enough root to hold the earth together.

When about 10 inches of rain fell in the 72 hours before the fatal landslides, the earth was unable to withstand the pressure. — Associated Press.

**Film Star Injured**

**Parliament Breaks Up In Disorder**

Tehran, May 8.

The first session of the new Majlis (Parliament) broke up tonight with chair-smashing and shouting in a stormy dispute between supporters of the Prime Minister, Dr. Mohammad Mossadegh, and Opposition Deputies.

The four-hour session ended with the Speaker finally announcing that he could not control Deputies warring over credentials.

The trouble began when pro-government Deputies rejected the credentials of some anti-Mossadegh Deputies.

The latter retaliated by rejecting the credentials of several pro-government Deputies.

In all, 13 names were rejected and sent to the Investigation Committee, which must report to the Majlis on its findings in 10 days.

When government supporters opposed the credentials of a newspaper publisher Meshi Milashari, and another member, Milashari referred to Dr. Mossadegh and his "criminal clique" and angrily smashed five desks with his fists. — United Press.

**African Quads Born**

Dakar, May 8.

African quadruplets—two boys and two girls—were born at Bondoukou on the French Ivory Coast today, the French News Agency reported.

Mother and children are doing well. — Associated Press.

**Optimism Over Korea Armistice**

**Washington Hails Eden's Speech**

From Henry Lowrie

Washington, May 8. Britain's firm determination to stand by the United States in her "no more appeasement" in Korea decision renewed hopes today that peace could still be achieved.

The pessimism of yesterday gave way to overnight optimism that the Communists would finally relent and agree to a more limited exchange of war prisoners.

The deadlock doesn't look so hopeless as it did before Britain's Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden's announcement that the United Nations offer to the Reds constituted "the limits of possible concessions."

The Communists had been counting on British appeasement and the fact there is to be none started the hope that the Reds will reconsider the package truce offer.

**DEFINITE PROOF**

It is felt that at last the Communists have definite proof that Britain and America are in complete agreement. It was supplied by Foreign Secretary Eden. The Americans are praising the British Government for repelling tremendous pressure from peace-at-any-price groups within the Conservative and Labour parties.

The new optimism is all the stronger because there was no inclination in Washington to compromise on Germany in exchange for Communist acceptance of the Allies' Korean peace terms.

The present tone of Russian propaganda is seen as another encouraging sign. A year ago the line was that the Communists were going to force the Americans into the sea. Now it has been changed to a claim that Communism has turned back the Allied "aggressors" and won a victory in Korea.

Political observers interpret this as a move to prepare the Iron Curtain countries for a truce. — London Express Service.

**GRACIE CANCELS KOREA TRIP**

Korea, May 9.

Gracie Fields has cancelled her proposed visit to Korea and the news has caused more despondency than the Korean truce talks stalemate.

Commonwealth Division officers reported that Miss Fields' doctor had advised against the tour.

They lightened the blow with the news that British, Australian and New Zealand show people were scheduled to entertain in Korea during the summer months. — Reuter.

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## A Prince's Birthday



Crown Prince Carl Gustav of Sweden celebrates his birthday with his sister Princess Christina in the grounds of Stockholm Castle. He was 6 on April 30. When Prince Carl was only 8 months old his father was killed in an air crash near Stockholm. His mother is German-born Princess Sibylla.—Express Photo.

## Senators Support Truman Decision On POWs Issue

Washington, May 8.  
Key members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee gave bipartisan support today to President Truman's warning that the United Nations "will not buy an armistice" in Korea by forcing 100,000 war prisoners to return to their Communist homelands against their will.

## Baccouche Task Near Completion

Tunis, May 8.  
The Tunisian Premier, Salah Eddine Baccouche, has nearly completed the list of seven Tunisian delegates to the Franco-Tunisian Joint Commission on constitutional reforms for the protectorate, sources close to the French Residency here said tonight.

Observers believed that the release of the former Nationalist Premier, Mohamed Chenik, and three of his Ministers from 41 days' detention in the south last Tuesday would make the Premier's task easier.

But Mohamed Masmoudi, leader of the French branch of the Neo-Destour Nationalist Party, said in a statement issued in Paris tonight that no honest Tunisian could take part in the Commission.

"Everyone continues to believe that a Commission can never work effectively under terms and that reactionary reforms cannot be usefully examined," he asserted.

M. Masmoudi called M. Baccouche and his Ministers traitors.

The Nationalist leader declared that the Tunisian people continued to regard the Chenik Government as the only valid one.

The Police in Sousse, 72 miles south of Tunis, today arrested six people accused of sabotaging railway lines and telegraph poles.—Reuter.



# Kefauver Takes The Fight Into N. York State ATTACK ON THE PARTY MACHINE

New York, May 8.  
Democratic Senator Estes Kefauver today opened a new campaign headquarters in New York in an effort to win over as many of the State's 94 delegates to his party's National Convention as he can from New York's "favourite son" candidate, Mr. Averell Harriman.

Senator Kefauver's continuing success in his fight to enlist the support of the masses and to defeat the party machine is compelling professional politicians to pay his cand'acy increasing respect and attention.

Though the New York delegation has already been chosen, Senator Kefauver hopes to exploit a reported split in the ranks and to persuade some of the delegation to break away from the State leaders.

Senator Kefauver's victory over the party machine in Ohio this week, and his big vote even in defeat in Florida against the South's favourite candidate, Senator Richard Russell, added to the popular vote he has been gaining in other States, have convinced many observers he may be a stronger candidate than they supposed.

The New York Herald-Tribune described the Kefauver showings in Ohio and Florida as startling and said: "They not only give him greater delegate

Afterwards Governor Stevenson said that Mr. Arvey told him a resolution would be proposed endorsing him as Presidential candidate.

EMPHATIC  
"I said I hoped that they would not put me in an awkward spot by proposing me for the Presidency," Governor Stevenson said. "I made it as emphatic as I always have, that I am a candidate only for re-election as Governor of Illinois."

The State party leaders are to select 20 delegates at large to the National Convention, each with half a vote. Fifty delegates were elected in the April 8 primary with a full vote each. The Illinois delegation will have 60 votes at the National Convention in Chicago.

On the Republican side, not much excitement has been aroused by Senator Taft's clean sweep of the primary in his home State of Ohio, where he captured all 59 delegates.

This has put him in the lead against General Eisenhower in the number of pledged delegates. Unofficial estimates give Senator Taft 332 and General Eisenhower 260 delegates.

Republican Senator John Brickley of Ohio claimed that the Ohio victory for Senator Taft would go a long way towards winning the nomination. But Republican Senator Charles Tobey of New Hampshire believed: "All the signs indicate it will be Eisenhower on an early ballot."—Reuter.

## Confident Of Victory

New York, May 8.  
Democratic Senator Estes Kefauver is convinced he could beat General Eisenhower or any other Republican in the Presidential elections.

Fresh from his victory in Ohio and an unexpectedly high vote in Florida, the Senator told a Press conference here: "The votes I have obtained from one end of the country to the other convince me that I can lead the Democratic Party to victory over any Republican nominated."—Reuter.

strength than any other Democrat at this time but they attest to a popular appeal which the professionals in neither party can well afford to ignore."

Senator Kefauver has an estimated 104½ votes pledged to him for the National Convention. Mr. Harriman is second with 93½. Senator Russell third with 41½.

Arthur Krook, political commentator of the New York Times, said that the party leaders had been trying to stop Senator Kefauver without putting anyone up against him.

## ONLY RIVAL

Mr. Krook said Governor Stevenson of Illinois was the only Democrat with the potential to eliminate Senator Kefauver, but the Governor has done his best to stifle it.

There was renewed talk of "drafting" Governor Stevenson, reported to be President Truman's favourite candidate.

Illinois Democratic leaders met at the State capital, Springfield, today amid reports that they might vote on a proposal to endorse Governor Stevenson for the Presidential nomination, although the Governor has said himself that he is a candidate only for re-election as Governor.

Governor Stevenson and an Illinois member of the Democratic National Committee, Jacob Arvey, spoke for half an hour on the telephone on the subject last night.

## Pinay Plans Loan Issue This Month

Paris, May 8.  
The Prime Minister, Antoine Pinay, will launch a big new Government loan, which is one of the key points in his programme of financial recovery, on May 26.

Terms of the loan will be submitted to Parliament when it reconvenes on May 12.

Interest on the loan is expected to be fixed at 3.5 per cent and subscriptions in gold coinage will be accepted.

The main purpose of the loan is to bring into circulation the stocks of gold now lying idle in private hands.

The value of this hoarded gold is estimated at between 1,000,000,000,000 and 2,000,000,000,000 francs.—France-Press.

## CABLE SHIP'S LAST VOYAGE

London, May 8.  
A British ship with 50 years of service, about to leave Singapore today and will arrive at Plymouth next month at the end of her last voyage.

She is the 2,470-ton cable ship Recorder, one of a fleet of eight cable ships owned by Cable and Wireless Limited. Commanded by Plymouth-born Captain A. J. Gales, she is sailing from her base at Singapore to England to be broken up.—Reuter.

## Prison Inquiry

London, May 8.  
The Government is to hold an independent inquiry into the administration of Broadmoor.

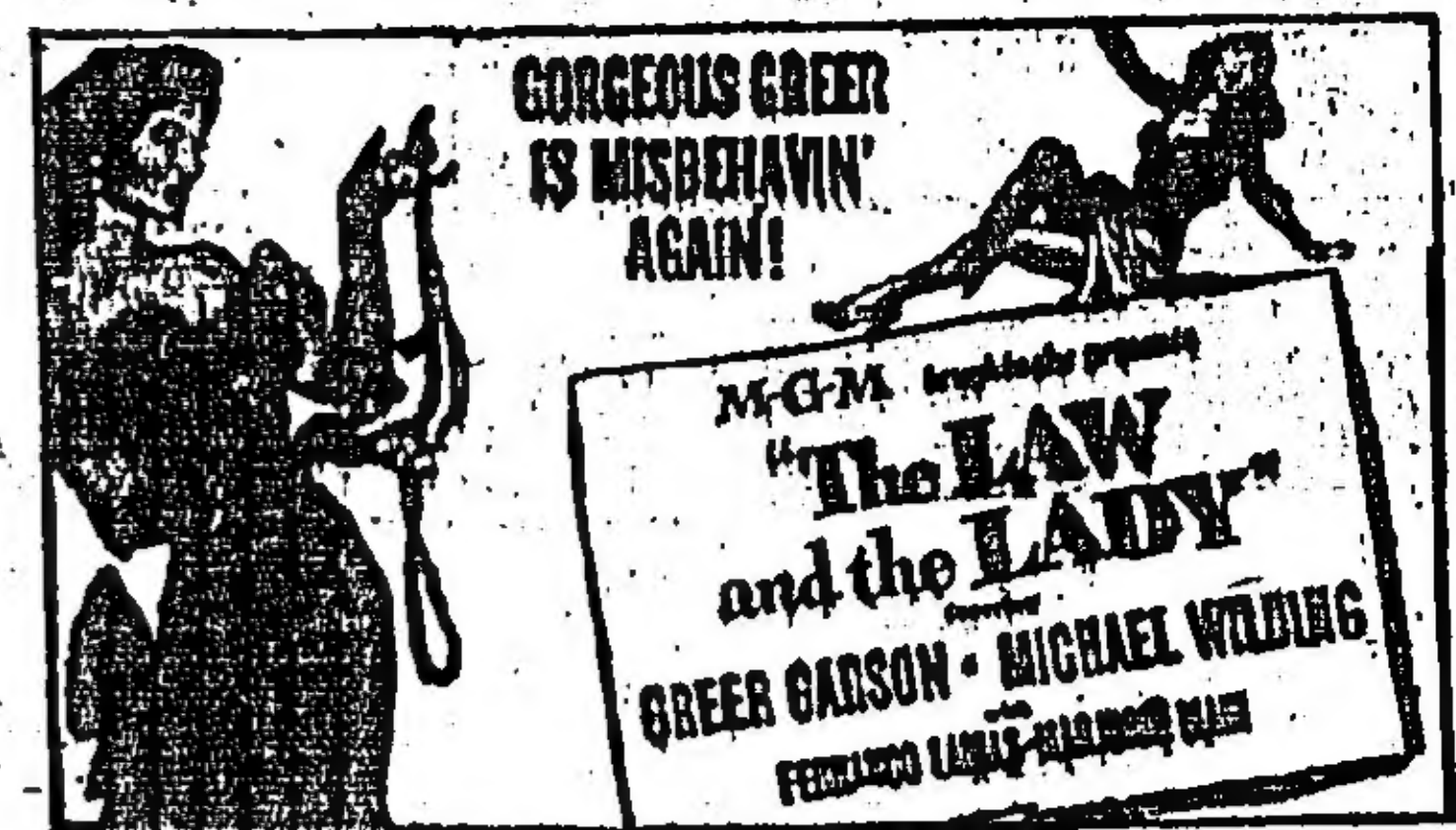
Mr. H. F. C. Crookshank, Health Minister, told the House of Commons that arrangements for the inquiry would be announced in Parliament as soon as possible.—Reuter.



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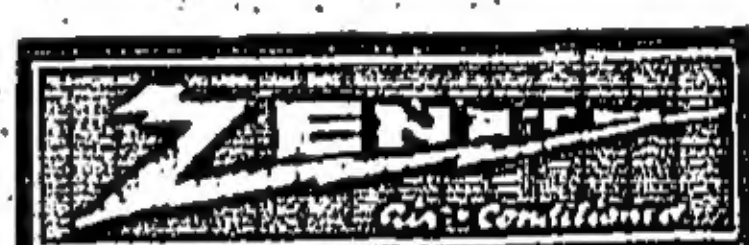
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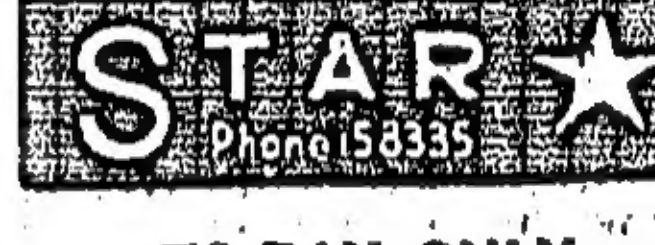
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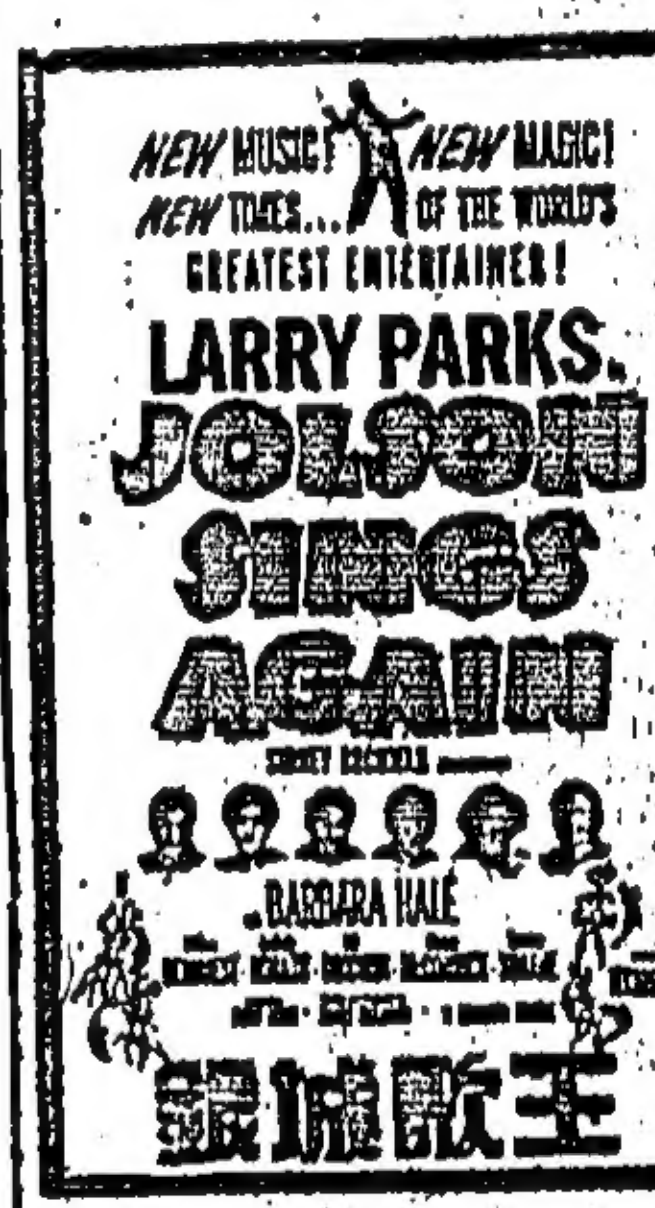


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NATIONS HONOUR  
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The flags of 81 nations are unfurled at Stratford-upon-Avon to commemorate the 388th anniversary of the birth of William Shakespeare. Among the flags were three new ones, those of Vietnam, the Yemen and the Federal German Republic—the first German emblem flown since the start of the war. After the ceremony ambassadors and other representatives walked in procession to the house in Henley Street where Shakespeare was born, and then to his tomb in the Parish Church to lay flowers and wreaths.—Express Photo.

BBC Annoys  
Grenadiers

London, May 8. The playing of "Blaydon Races" in the B.B.C. programme "Housewives' Choice" on Tuesday, in mistake for the Regimental march, "The British Grenadiers" of the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers, has resulted in a number of protests.

On Tuesday night the Depot Commanding Officer, Major R. S. Ferguson, at Feltham Barracks, Newcastle-on-Tyne, posted a letter of protest to the B.B.C.

The B.B.C. said: "It is our fault—our catalogue lists the march as 'British Grenadiers' and 'Blaydon Races' and the wrong record was picked." The "Housewives' Choice" announcer, Roy Rich, apologised yesterday for the error.—Reuter.

Swindle Case  
Postponed

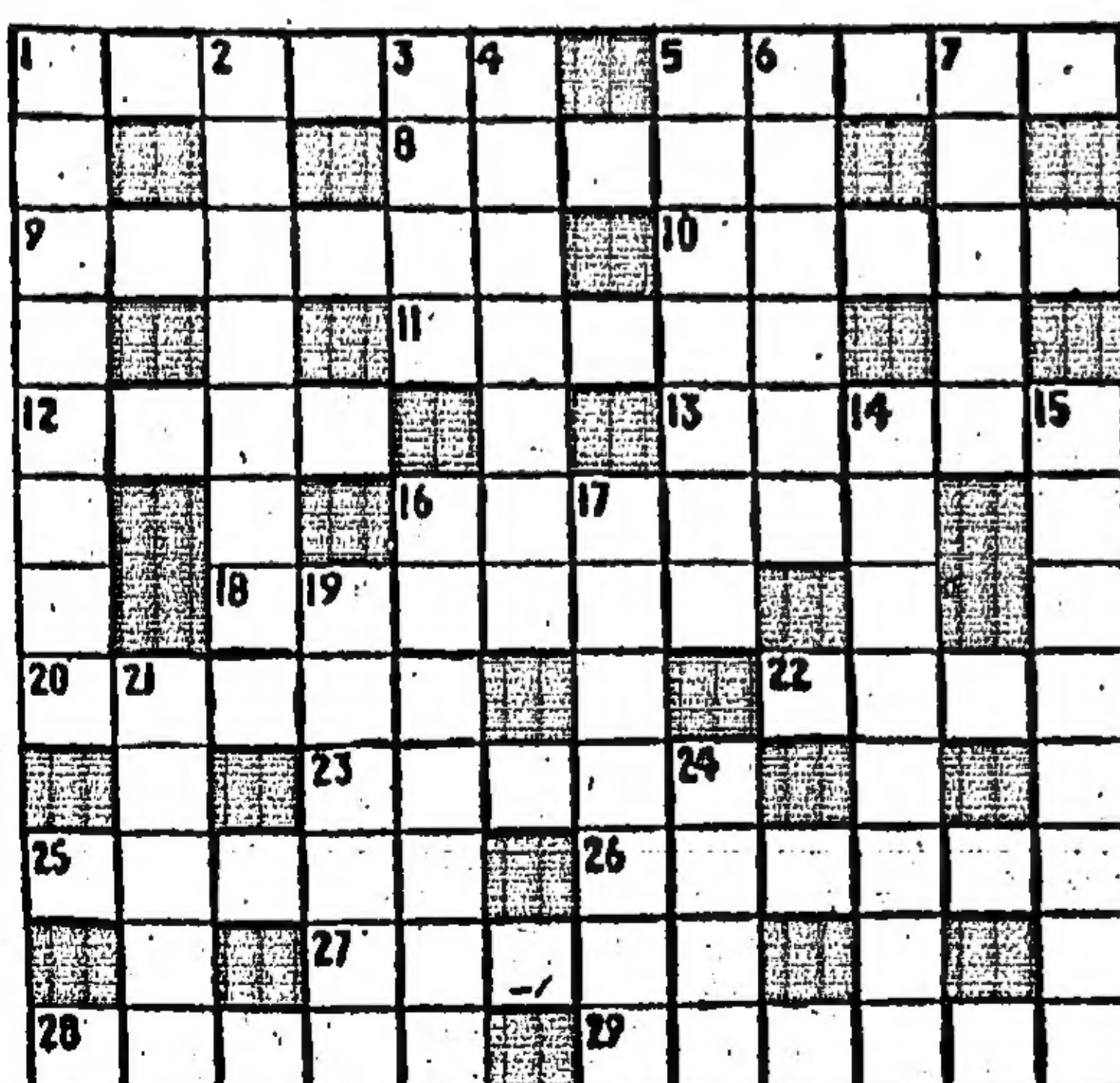
New York, May 8. The Assistant District Attorney, Jerome Kiddy, today said the hearing for the three men accused of swindling a Japanese firm in a newspaper deal would be postponed two or three weeks.

Mr Kiddy wants to delay the hearing until May 29 to get the necessary documents from Japan.

The three men, Salvatore Caloro, Maxwell Meyers and Fred Frisch, are accused of swindling the Japanese firm of \$750,000.

The three men are free on \$25,000 bail each.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS:

- 1 Force (6)
- 5 Die down (5)
- 8 Head-dress (5)
- 9 Difficulty (6)
- 10 Unenthusiastic (5)
- 11 Send (5)
- 12 Voice (4)
- 13 Form (5)
- 16 Hammer (6)
- 18 Indian corn (6)
- 20 Cast off (5)
- 22 Bill of fare (4)
- 23 Extreme (5)
- 25 Cheek (5)
- 26 Cured for (6)
- 27 Made mistakes (5)
- 28 Documents (5)
- 29 Thicker (6)

## DOWN:

- 1 Russian cavalry (8)
- 2 Nautical (8)
- 3 Eastern ruler (4)
- 4 Word-for-word (7)
- 5 Piece of writing (7)
- 6 Insect (6)
- 7 Outings (5)
- 14 Unbelievers (8)
- 15 Body part (8)
- 16 Get the better of (7)
- 17 Compared (7)
- 18 Drew out (6)
- 21 Pull vigorously (5)
- 24 Uncultured (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD — Across: 1 Repair, 5 Files, 8 Deal, 9 Pistol, 11 Anvil, 12 Talent, 14 Port, 16 Edict, 18 Ovine, 19 Bred, 20 Dagger, 24 Acute, 26 Garish, 28 Real, 29 Trees, 28 Reject, Down: 1 Rapt, 2 Post, 3 Idol, 4 Relent, 5 Flatter, 9 Invalid, 7 Selects, 10 Talon, 13 Fondant, 14 Picture, 16 Readers, 17 Defier, 19 Haggard, 21 Ops, 22 Ride, 23 Chilly.

MALIK CREATES A SCENE  
DURING U.N.  
DISCUSSIONS  
Heated Exchanges  
Over Germ  
Warfare Charges

United Nations, May 8. Russia's Jacob Malik sought today to parade Communist germ warfare charges before the United Nations again and was ruled out of order by the Chinese Nationalist Chairman who silenced the shouting Russian.

The Russian sought to bring before the United Nations Disarmament Commission the Communist allegation that two American fliers had "confessed" to dropping germ bombs on Red Chinese and North Korean troops.

The Nationalist Chinese delegate, Dr T. F. Tsiang, Chairman of the 12-nation Commission for May, rapped his gavel and interrupted with these words: "This Commission has adhered to the proposition that any discussion of germ warfare is out of its competence."

M. Malik, his colour rising with his voice, said that he was only attempting to reply to the United States delegate, Mr Benjamin Cohen, who-angered earlier in the meeting by renewed Russian charges that his country is waging bacteriological warfare—had asked for a clarification of the Soviet Union's position on the issue.

Dr Tsiang broke into the middle of M. Malik's sentence and ruled that the Commission had no power to consider evidence of germ warfare even though it might discuss the general problem.

"I am replying to the representative of the United States,"

The United States delegate, Mr Benjamin Cohen, said again that both the United States and the United Nations' unified Command had categorically denied the germ warfare falsehoods.

Attempts to establish the truth by an impartial investigation had been blocked by Russia and its friends and allies.

## "MONSTROUS" CHARGES

Referring to M. Malik's continuous statements that the United States was preparing for bacteriological warfare, Mr Cohen said, "Of course, my country is engaged in research on bacteriological warfare and I would like to ask M. Malik if his Government is not too and whether we are going to make any progress at all by these monstrous allegations."

For the first time in the Commission today a non-Communist power acknowledged that the United Nations' disarmament talks were headed for failure when Chile declared through her representative that the talks were a farce resulting from the Russian refusal to consider any plan but its own programme calling for the immediate prohibition of atomic weapons.

The Chilean delegate, Snor Herman Santa Cruz, told the group that the deadline was approaching with no likelihood that the Commission would be able to report agreement even in principle on any phase of the arms problem.

"The impression which is going to be made on world public opinion is going to be very great," Senator Santa Cruz said.

"This unquestionably will go against the United Nations and will in no way assist in the alleviation of the tension of the present international situation."

"In the face of the failure of this Commission—it is a failure, it is a failure—in the absence of any concrete proposals and in the absence of any change in the attitude of the Soviet Union, it is as clear as daylight that we shall not make any progress until we embark on the specific examination called for by the Soviet Union."—United Press.

American Plan  
Rejected

United Nations, May 8. The Soviet Union today rejected an American six-point plan for principles for disarmament and claimed that only Russia's own plan for the prohibition of atomic weapons was practical.

M. Jacob Malik told the Disarmament Committee that the United States, aided by Britain and France, was trying to push forward a world census of armaments instead of starting by a ban on atomic weapons.

The Committee adjourned without making any progress in its essential task of devising a plan for disarmament.—Reuter.

M. Malik shouted as Dr Tsiang banged his gavel.

"I protest," said M. Malik.

"I demand the right to answer," declared M. Malik.

Dr Tsiang banged his gavel on the table as M. Malik continued to shout almost incoherently.

When M. Malik stopped his shouting Dr Tsiang calmly asked if there were any further speakers.

The episode was sharpened by the fact that at the outset of the meeting M. Malik had challenged Dr Tsiang's right to sit as Chairman.

"The Soviet delegation considers illegal the occupancy of the Chair by the representative of the Khomintang who are illegally occupying China's seat on the Commission," M. Malik declared.

Dr Tsiang ruled him out of order on that point also.

Before the shouting and the gavel rapping began, M. Malik had again repeated the Communist germ warfare charges as he spoke against the American plan which calls for the disclosure and verification of the armed strength of all countries as the first step in any disarmament programme.

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## I.R.C. DENOUNCED

Taking no cognisance of the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson's declaration yesterday that the Communist charges constituted an "international crime," M. Malik asserted that the United States forces were waging bacteriological warfare now against Korea and China.

He renewed his denunciation of the International Red Cross— which offered to investigate the charges at the invitation of the United States and the United Nations—as "an American tool."

Alexis Kyrou, of Greece, defended the International Red Cross Committee and asked M. Malik whether Russia and her Communist partners would agree to investigation by "the other Red Cross group"—the League of Red Cross Societies— which, he said, comprised Red Cross groups from all the countries including Russia.

EUROPEAN  
NUCLEAR  
RESEARCH

Paris, May 8. Professor P. Scherrer (Switzerland), Chairman of the Council of European Representatives for nuclear research, today announced the setting up of four committees to plan an international nuclear research laboratory.

There will be a committee on research into building a 500,000-volt synchro-cyclotron, headed by Professor Cornelius Jan Baedeker (Holland), a Committee on research on a projected 5,000,000-volt cyclotron, intended to be the world's largest, headed by Professor Odd Dahl (Norway), a Committee on laboratory planning headed by Professor Lew Kowarski of France and a Committee on theoretical nuclear research headed by Professor Niels Bohr of Denmark.

At a Press conference today, Professor Pierre Auger, of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Agricultural Organisation, which sponsors the Council, said that the Council would be subject to no outside executive authority and would dispose of its own budget.

The first year's budget of \$200,000 had been contributed by the member countries.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN TRADE  
WITH NORWAY

Oslo, May 8. A new Russo-Norwegian trade agreement was initiated here today.

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A MASS FOR  
MUSSOLINI

Anna Maria, daughter of Mussolini, leaves St. Agostino Church in Rome after attending a Solemn Mass on the seventh anniversary of his death.—Express Photo.

NEW GUARANTEE  
FOR GERMANY

London, May 8.

Britain, France and the United States are to give Western Germany and Berlin a completely new guarantee of their territorial integrity, it was learned authoritatively today.

The guarantee is to be given when the occupation regime ends with the signing of the new contractual relationship between the Western Powers and the Bonn Government.

FESTING'S  
TRIBUTE

Ismailia, May 8. Lieut.-General F. W. Festing, British Commander in Egypt, today declared that he was immensely impressed by his troops who, he said, were prepared for any eventually which may come along.

He was giving his first Press conference here since assuming command two weeks ago from Lieut.-General Sir George Erskine.

General Festing said this was his first experience of being stationed in Egypt and he was unable to say what the future course of events here might be.

But already he had been impressed by the maturity of Britain's young soldiers serving out here, who were making a great effort to compete with a lot of discomfort which had arisen as a result of Egypt's abrogation of her treaty with Britain.—Reuter.

Britain To Insist On  
Loan Payment

London, May 8.

Sir Arthur Salter, Minister of State for Economic Affairs, said today that the Government thought that Burma should pay the first instalment of her £27,000,000 loan to Britain unless there was an exceptional and new reason.

Burma recently suggested a postponement of the first instalment, due on April 1, but Britain asked her to reconsider this request.

Sir Arthur said today that Burma had a surplus in her last budget and also had an estimated trading surplus.

Sir Arthur was replying in the House of Commons to Mr Woodrow Wyatt, Labour, who had asked why the Government had asked Burma to reconsider her request for a postponement.

Mr Wyatt said that the amount involved—£1,450,000—was small. The Burmese Government was trying to put down Communist disorders which adversely affected its internal revenue.

The British Government's "niggardly" attitude was regarded by Burma as a reversal of the friendly policy followed by the Labour Government, he said.

Sir Arthur replied, "The fact that the sum involved is comparatively small, does not make it more difficult for it to be paid."

"I would remind you that this sum is the first instalment of the loan."

To Hold Inquiry  
Into Air  
AttackALLIED NOTE  
TO SOVIET

Berlin, May 8. The West told the Russians tonight that they intended to investigate officially an attack by two Communist jet fighters on an Air France passenger plane on April 29, and invited them to take part.

They said they would use one of the two remaining four-power bodies to do it—the Berlin Air Safety Centre—and asked Gen. Vasily I. Chulov, Soviet Chief in Germany, to assign a representative to the meeting tomorrow.

Two persons were wounded seriously and two slightly when two Soviet MIG-15s opened fire on the plane as it neared Berlin on a regular flight from Frankfurt.

The first Allied protest to the Russians brought an angry denial from the Soviets who charged that the passenger plane was off course when two fighter planes "fired across its bow."

When the big four-engined plane alighted at Tempelhof airfield, its sides were punctured with nearly 100 holes made by cannon and machine-gun fire.

Air control at Tempelhof said the plane had been monitored and was within the prescribed air corridor into Berlin when attacked.

## TO GO AHEAD

In a second note the Western Allies rejected the Russian contention but the only noticeable reaction from the Soviets was a sudden curtailing of Russian flight activity as evidenced by listings at the Air Safety Centre.

All four powers are required to post notices of scheduled military flights.

Shortly afterward, however, the Russians went back on their usually heavy schedule.

The text of the note made public tonight left no doubt that the Americans, British and French would go ahead with an investigation whether the Russians joined in or not. It read:

"The three High Commissioners and the U.S., French and British Commandants in Berlin have decided to ask the U.S., British and French representatives on the Air Safety Centre to determine the material damage caused by Soviet aircraft to the French aircraft on April 29."

## REPARATIONS

"It would be appreciated if you would give the necessary instructions to the Soviet representative to take part in this inquiry with his American, French and British colleagues."

"In order that the inquiry may be repaired and returned to France as soon as possible, the inquiry will take place tomorrow at 1400 GMT at Tempelhof airfield."

Although the note referred specifically to aerial damage done to the plane, informed quarters in Berlin felt the inquiry would be open to questions of who was to blame.

In fixing material damage the question of possible reparations would also enter in, these sources said, and thus bring to view again the circumstances surrounding what the Allies have termed an "unwarranted and brutal attack."—Associated Press.

High Rate  
Of Taxation  
In Malaya

London, May 8.

Mr Ronald Russell, Conservative, asked in the House of Commons today if it was not true that most of the rubber plantation limited companies in Malaya "pay a very penal rate of taxation, and that this is very unfair considering they have had to rehabilitate themselves after enemy occupation."

He said: "They are much more penalised than companies in this country."

Mr John Boyd, Carpenter, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, replied: "You only asked for certain figures not now available. Perhaps your observations may arise later."

Mr Philip Noel-Baker, a Minister in the late Labour Government, urged the Government to "represent to the United States that the fall in the price of rubber makes it increasingly more difficult for us to combat Communism in Malaya."

Mr Boyd Carpenter replied: "That point is present in our minds."—Reuter.

Birmingham Was  
The Best

London, May 8.

By March 31 this year the London County Council and Metropolitan boroughs had together built 44,610 houses, permanent and temporary, since the war, representing one house to every 40 persons in the area, states a housing return for England and Wales issued today by the Housing Ministry.

The best total of permanent houses completed, or rebuilt, irrespective of population, has been achieved, by Birmingham with 20,042.—Reuter.



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## WHO IS THE BOSS at the BBC?

THE biggest unknown quantity in the British Broadcasting Corporation is the Director-General, Sir William Haley.

Is he a dictator or just the man with the oil can who sees that the broadcasting wheels work smoothly?—What is his relationship with the Board of Governors appointed by the Government? What does he mean to his staff—and the public who pay for the broadcasting service?

These questions have never been satisfactorily answered—until now.

Lord Inman, a former chairman of the BBC Governors, now throws a light on the power and personality of Sir William Haley which immediately raises the question: Who is the boss of the BBC?

The story Lord Inman tells in his autobiography of his accession to the chairmanship on January 1, 1949, is astonishing. The first business meeting between Lord Inman and Sir William Haley is inauspicious. The Director-General seems disinclined to receive the new chairman on his first day of office. Then he gives way—and Lord Inman arrives at Broadcasting House at the appointed time.

"There was no one to welcome me and I had to explain to the commissionaire who I was. No one volunteered to show me to the chairman's room."

He finds his own way there, presses a bell button on the desk. "Presently a girl appeared and I inquired for my secretary. She replied that I had no secretary. I suppose I looked perplexed for she added in explanation that the old chairman never had one. I said I would like to be put in touch with the Director-General. She looked startled and said she thought he was busy. I suggested that in any case he should be told I had arrived."

The Director-General arrives a few minutes later. Lord Inman insists on having his own secretary. So the girl, "capable and conscientious," takes up her duties.

"But it struck me several times those first weeks that she did not look happy. One day, as I was dictating I noticed her in tears. . . . After a long time the truth came out. She was not happy about her job, the conditions were unsatisfactory. 'I really don't think I should tell you. I was told I must keep it confidential.' But

\* NO GOING BACK. By Lord Inman. (Williams and Norgate, 12s. 6d.)



HALEY INMAN  
The chairman's secretary wept . . .

by GEORGE CAMPEY

who evidently did feel I ought to know. 'All your letters have to be read before they go out. I am not to keep my own file copies. I wondered if you know. It didn't seem right to me. I have never heard of this kind of thing before.'

How does Sir William explain this? "He answered courteously that his only desire was to smooth my path. He did not wish me to run into trouble through inexperience."

Lord Inman had succeeded Sir Allan Powell and was not allowed to forget what "the old chairman" did. "It was like what I imagine it must be sometimes to be married to a widow." In the end he puts an official ban on any sentence beginning: "The old chairman."

Lord Inman sees the organization at work and draws this picture of it: "Everywhere I went I discovered that the machine was amazingly efficient. Everything went like clockwork, but therein I detected a weakness. There was a singular lack of the human touch. The staff seemed to be imbued by a sense of frustration, if not of fear. Then comes the strangest story of all."

Lord Inman is asked by Arthur Greenwood, then Lord Privy Seal, why he did not attend a meeting with Mr. Churchill, Mr. Eden, Mr. Morrison and Sir William Haley—to arrange political broadcasts. Inman's secretary had heard nothing about it. Asked for an explanation, Sir William Haley blandly says: "I didn't think you would want to go; I have always gone by myself before."

"I told him," writes Lord Inman, "that I should like to be informed of such meetings, and we closed the conversation with a civil expression of understanding on both sides."

But the phrase "The old chairman never . . ." hung in the air between us unspoken, so that you could almost hear it drumming on the wires."

Three months after becoming chairman, Lord Inman left the BBC to join the Cabinet. Do his experiences answer the questions about Sir William Haley? They do and they don't. This 50-year-old Channel 1 leader, a former radio operator and newspaper editor, continues to be the Phantom of Farnham Place.

Within the vast, impersonal machine radiating from Broadcasting House, Sir William Haley is himself impersonal. Internally he is known not as Sir William but briefly and somewhat apprehensively as "the D.G." He is rarely seen by his staff, though the transient have encountered him in the hallway of Broadcasting House.

Few have telephone access to him. In February 1951 he made his radio producers for the first time in four years. Once in a decade, however, a member of the BBC staff can be sure of seeing the D.G. That is when he or she qualifies for the ten-year service bonus. Sir William receives the candidate in his office.

The man is much like the machine which he probably accounts for Lord Inman's experiences. Lord Simon of Wythenshawe, who succeeded Inman as chairman, had more to commend him to the Director-General. They had worked together in Manchester, Haley as editor of the Manchester Evening News, Lord Simon as one of his directors. Have these positions been reversed in the BBC?

Officially the Board of Governors control BBC policy. "To them the Director-General, as chief executive officer, is immediately responsible for the efficient working of the organization in all its aspects, in accordance with their policy decisions." That statement appears in the 1951 edition of the BBC Year Book, which Sir William passes. The statement is curiously absent from the 1952 edition.

Lord Simon has his office, his secretary, and works in close association with Sir William. The system under which letters are shown to the Director-General persists as "a gentleman's understanding" though Lord Simon could send a letter without Sir William's knowledge if he wished.

## The Ridgways will move into Ike's Paris villa

Paris. WHEN General Ridgway comes to Paris in June to take over the supreme command of the Allied forces in Europe, he and his strikingly beautiful 36-year-old wife, are expected to move into the present Eisenhower home, the Villa St. Pierre, in the village of Marne-la-Coquette, 10 miles west of Paris.

A move to any other home is extremely unlikely if only because it might offend the French Government, who have spent £25,000 renovating the house and have furnished it with priceless treasures from a national collection.

In addition the house, a two-storyed 19th-century building standing in its own grounds, is both attractive and only 10 minutes' drive from SHAPE headquarters.

One of the rooms will have to be converted into a nursery for the Ridgways' three-year-old son, Matt, Jun.

### ★No servant problem

The Ridgways will have no servant problem. The Eisenhowers have seven servants consisting of three soldiers, among them Eisenhower's cook; two women from the U.S. Women's Army; one locally hired butler; and Mrs Eisenhower's personal maid, Rose Wood.

Of these, only Rose Wood will be returning with them to the U.S.A. The butler will either be dismissed or kept on for the Ridgways.

A special problem is the future of the three U.S. secret services men who guard the Eisenhowers. One for Mrs Eisenhower, two for the General. At present they do not know whether they will be kept on or replaced. In all likelihood in view of the opposition in some quarters to General Ridgway, a security guard will be strengthened at least for the time being.



RIDGWAY AND WIFE  
Easier to talk to?

The Ridgways, unlike the Eisenhowers, are expected to lead an active social life in Paris. General Ridgway likes dinner parties and is a lively conversationalist. Mrs Ridgway has a highly developed clothes sense which should make her a regular visitor to Paris fashion houses.

One notable difference that newspaper men expect to find under Ridgway was summed up by a SHAPE Staff Officer: "Ridgway should be easier to talk to. He isn't standing for President."

### ★Storm over 'cognac'

By the time you read this it will be safe to think, to bet that there is not one Communist left in the pleasant town of Cognac, where, of course, The Brandy comes from.

Reason: a grave indiscretion by a delegate from Cognac, M. Pierre Gadrat, to the recent economic talks in Moscow. For M. Gadrat said, proposing a toast at one of the many Moscow banquets: "My word, I do believe

lieve you Russians produce as good a Cognac as we do in France."

Grave words these: and they have been gravely reported in the French Press.

Said the abashed traveller on his return. "I was misreported. I assure you I was merely being polite. All I said was, 'My word it's good. In point of fact it was not Cognac at all I was drinking—it was vodka.'"

Cognac's unanimous advice to Gadrat: "Stick to vodka."

### ★As others see us

NEWS from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation:

Item One.—After an inquiry launched in eight different countries to find out what people think of their own and other countries, UNESCO (for which you pay) comes to the conclusion that most people are satisfied with their own countries and are critical of foreigners.

Item Two.—Press release from UNESCO: "Dear colleagues, do you consider that artists and writers in the modern world suffer from lack of freedom? Whether you do or do not, you will be interested to know that an international congress of artists and writers will discuss this question in Venice this summer. This conference is sponsored by UNESCO."

Then follows a list of British artists and writers who have been invited to attend. At a quick glance through it the only notable absentee seems to be Mr. Cyril Connolly.

### ★Atomic Dali

BACK in Paris: ex-surrealist, now Catholic, painter Salvador Dali. He says: "I now call my philosophy 'nuclear mysticism.' For the past four months I have been representing practically all the elements of modern physics. My next picture will be explosive."

### ★Too much Chevalier

VERDICT on Paris's latest £100,000 musical revue, "Plein Feu," at the Empire Theatre:

You will be advised to continue visiting other theatres. There is too much ballet (of the type which needs a choreographer); too much singing of "operatic gems"; and, sad to relate, even too much Maurice Chevalier singing too many poor new songs and too few of his better old ones. But there is a waterfall by courtesy of a Glasgow engineering firm.

### ★The choice

ELSA MAXWELL will give a fancy dress ball in Paris next June. Theme of the ball: you are asked to go dressed as the person you most admire or most dislike. Miss Maxwell will go as King Farouk.

### ★Number, please

WHAT would you do after driving 400 miles non-stop? According to an instruction book issued to French police car drivers, "clean your number plates."

### ★3 a.m. alarm

Paris newspaper headline of the week: "There is a man under my bed, screamed the English schoolmistress at 3 a.m."

## NO CAKE FOR THE ISRAELIS TODAY

By Monica Dehn

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 30. THERE are no rich birthday cakes or new party dresses for Israelis nowadays, for the national larder is bare again.

The Food Minister and Director of the State Bank have visited the United States to plead for a food loan. And clothes have become so scarce that the shops receiving their meagre allocation of shirts, socks or summer frocks have to be guarded by police squads against an onrush of frantic housewives.

But the Israelis believe that if only the United States or Britain will help them for a little while longer, they will be able to avoid economic collapse, which today seems uncomfortably close.

### GRANTS, GIFTS

In the four years since Britain laid down the mandate, £150,000,000 have been invested in Israel, and the Jews have received double that sum in loans, grants and gifts.

But this money has not been used to make life easy for the 650,000 Jews who were in the country in 1948. It has been used to feed, house and clothe 690,000 Jewish immigrants—20 an hour for the 1,400 days of Statehood—and start large-scale development schemes which will release Israel from dependence on foreign aid. These schemes are at last nearing the time when they will come into operation.

Big American companies are already manufacturing refrigerators and motor cars in Israel. By summer, tyres, fertilisers, chemicals, cement and steel tubes will be rolling off the assembly line for export to Scandinavia, Greece, Turkey and Western Europe.

Simultaneously, new roads cut through the rock of the southern desert. will have opened up the way to the Dead Sea, whose rich store of potash will bring badly-needed sterling to Israel from Britain.

### MADE TO BLOSSOM

In the fields, small-town pedlars from backward oriental countries and middlemen who have fled from Eastern Europe are rapidly being turned into farmers. And this year they will help to make Israel self-sufficient for the first time in vegetable production.

And so that more and more of Israel can be made to blossom, a local factory is now turning out the biggest water pipes in the world.

They are wide enough for a man to sit in, tall to stand upright in them; and they will take water from the Tel-Aviv area 200 miles southwards to fertilise a million acres of arid wasteland around Beersheba.

before harvest: time comes round again.

Israel is also planning to become the main communications centre of the Middle East. Lydda airport is being enlarged so that it may receive the same international rating as Heathrow, London's big airport, and there are plans afoot to expand it still further and make it as good as New York's La Guardia.

The port of Haifa is also being enlarged. Four hundred metres of additional quay is being constructed, and the mouth of the nearby Kishon River widened. This will enable ships to unload directly into warehouses to be built along its banks, and will double the port's present yearly capacity to handle a million and a half tons of shipping.

But if the Israelis for the present find it hard to satisfy themselves with dreams, they can take heart from the fact that their army and air force are accepted by foreign military experts as second to none in this part of the world.

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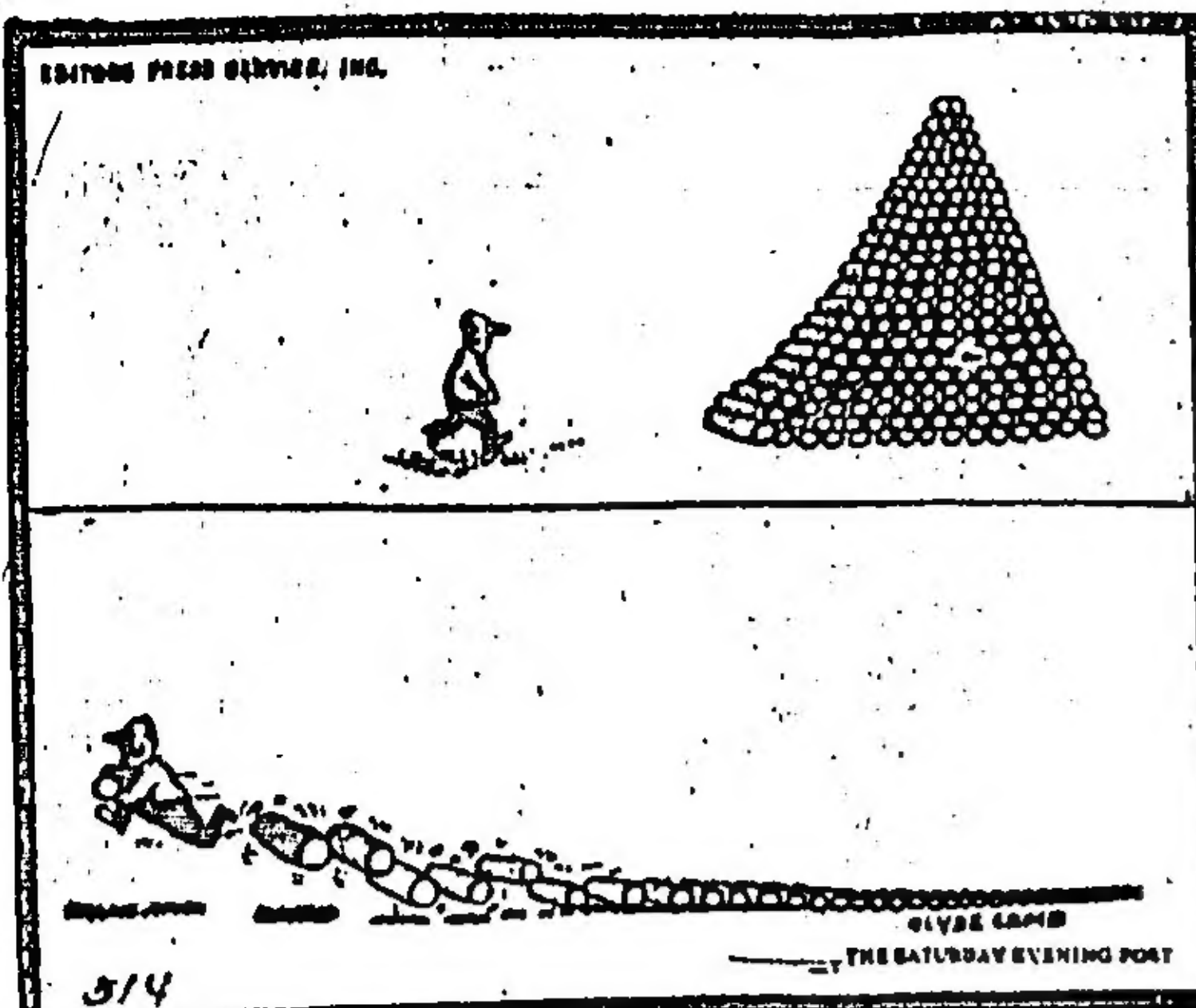
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## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

I SUGGEST to the Central Office of Information that the film which teaches mothers how to teach their children to walk should be followed by another, showing how the tops of six-inch nails can be sawn off and used to make pretty models of hygienic railway waiting-rooms. A love interest could be introduced by choosing a beautiful mannequin to saw off the nails. She is in love with a Welsh sailor who arrives home unexpectedly from the Seychelles Islands, and helps her to make a model of a waiting-room at Crewe Junction, with seagulls crying continually.

**Mrs Witherside's shanty**  
EARLY yesterday morning Mrs Witherside, while swabbing the soiled decks of the Saucy Mrs Fletcher, could be heard singing this shanty:

We do not go to sea, not much!  
(Auntie, boys, come!)  
We want not no Nelson touch  
(Away down, Rio!)  
Oh, Shenandoah, you can see the water,  
Tricklin' through where it didn't  
oughter,  
But we never go to sea, not much!  
(So 'eave the captain, mateys!)  
**The Gamma-bomb (XVI)**  
DINGI-POOS in danger and at bay  
was a lesson to all you nimble-

plying stay-at-home girls. She knew that she was up against it, but her nerves were of steel, and her audacity astounding. Standing in the larger door of the canteen she made her plan. As luck would have it (yes, indeed) the all-time hostess in Europe was standing near the door. Dingy-Poos beckoned to her, and assumed the tone of an Empress. "I'm air-hostess Cherry Lockhart," she snarled. "Special duty. Sent by Air Ministry. Some trouble, Paris plane. 'D-but-' began the simpleton. "No time to lose," said Cherry. "Get me uniform. No time to pick up mine." The girl brought a uniform, and Dingy-Poos donned it in a trice. "Thanks a million, my dear," she said. "That's O.K. Miss Lockhart," simpered the little doll. "What's the girl I'm replacing on the Paris plane?" asked Dingy-Poos. "Olive Hoopoe," replied the little Dingy-Poos swaggered into the canteen.

**Without comment**  
I would like to ask Zola and others with him this question: "Can you tell me if there is a difference between a dish with codfish pointed on it and a dish that has a figure of a man on it?" This is perhaps a question that everyone who is not a painter and who writes about modern painting should ask himself.  
(Mr Stephen Spender.)

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

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♠ Q 10 7 4	♥ 7 4 3	♦ K 4	♣ Q 10 9 7
SOUTH (D)			10
♠ A K 8 5 2	♥ K Q J 6	♦ Q 7 5 3	♣ None
North-South vul.			East-West
1 ♠ Pass	3 ♠ Pass	5 ♠ Pass	6 ♠ Pass
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Opening lead—♠ 10			

By OSWALD JACOBY

ONE of the great bridge players of Colombia visiting America, showed his skill at the Regency Club in New York recently with the hand shown today.

West opened the ten of clubs, and George Cardenas, playing the South hand, ruffed in his own hand. He next laid down the ace of spades, discovering the last news about the trump.

The bad trump break turned an easy hand into a very difficult problem. After some thought, Cardenas led a heart to dummy's ace, cashed the top clubs, and ruffed dummy's last club. The next led out the king and queen of hearts, discarding low diamonds from the dummy.

When declarer led the jack of hearts next, West did some thinking. If he discarded a diamond, dummy would also discard a low diamond, leaving just the blank ace in dummy. Declarer could then lead to the ace of diamonds, take the king of spades and lead a spade towards dummy. West therefore decided to ruff rather than discard a diamond.

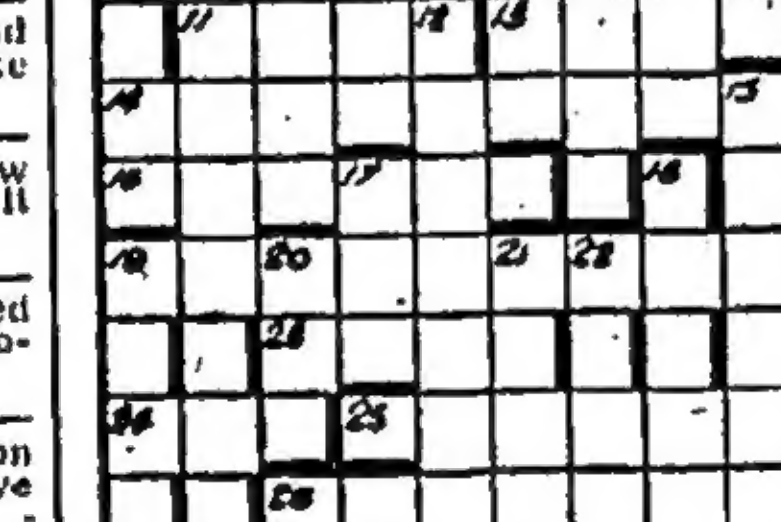
West could not afford to ruff with his queen, for then dummy would discard a low diamond and the rest would be easy. West therefore ruffed with a low trump in hand, discarding a diamond. Declarer drew another round of trump with the king, and then threw West into the lead with the queen of spades. This compelled West to lead away from his king of diamonds, allowing declarer to make the slam contract.

**Q.—**The bidding has been: North 1 Heart, East 1 Spade, South 2 Hearts, West 2 Spades. South holds: Spades 9-4-3, Hearts 6-5, Diamonds 9-8-3, Clubs J-3. West holds: Spades 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Hearts 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Diamonds 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Clubs 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2. What do you bid?

**TODAY'S QUESTION**  
The bidding is the same as in the question last answered. You, South, hold: Spades 9-4-3, Hearts 9-4-3, Diamonds 8-3, Clubs K-Q-J-5-4-2. What do you bid?

**Answer Tomorrow**

## CROSSWORD



1. Such falls are hidden danger. (3)  
2. Its light is unstable. (6)  
3. The single leaf. (7)  
4. The windmill. (4)  
5. In this you have cover. (6)  
6. Healed about in acres. (9)  
7. The continuity. (6)  
8. Cowboy or guide? (9)  
9. Seasonal element in reverse. (6)  
10. She has the broken verse. (6)  
11. Bird greater than Cassin's. (6)  
12. Yesterday's are below. (7)

**Down**  
1. The boxer does not amuse children with it. (6)  
2. The name of a town. (6)  
3. Dalmatian rarely produces it. (6)  
4. A decree or order. (6)  
5. The change of rule. (4)  
6. Calling you a sheep? (3)  
7. Adapt from the outlander. (9)  
8. Season of calm. (4)  
9. Thus, all found in shrubs. (7)  
10. Countenance. (6)  
11. Letter for morning use? (3)  
12. The man to praise? (6)  
13. Blame. (6)  
14. A week-end stretch. (3)  
15. On—but sure. (4)  
16. One Dr. before victory day. (6)  
17. The name of a town. (6)  
18. Glass. (6)  
19. Drink. (6)  
20. The name of a town. (6)  
21. The name of a town. (6)  
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**Intelligence Test**  
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(Solution on Page 10)

## DUMB-BELLS

THIS CAKE IS VERY HEAVY, DEAR! WELL, WHY DON'T YOU USE BOTH HANDS!

**Check Your Knowledge**

1. What is a gremlin? And who is king of the gremlins?
2. Where is the Great Barrier Reef located?
3. Complete the following: Meridians of ...; Parallels of ...
4. What is a kelpid?
5. Name the three types of twins.
6. For how long a term is the Poet Laureate of England appointed?

(Answers on Page 10)

# WOMANSENSE

## THE ASCOT RIDDLE

Why do women always buy the WRONG clothes?

by EILEEN ASCROFT

WOMEN are busily spending hundreds of pounds buying the wrong clothes for Ascot.

Every year it happens, as soon as the Big Eleven show their mid-season collections. Most of their clients ignore the smart, though simple silk suits, the small elegant hats, and choose instead chiffon coats in which they will freeze, enormous hats that take off with the first inevitable breeze, and picture dresses of lace and organdie, which look pathetic and ridiculous when the raindrops fall.

The same thing happens with shoes. Women are gaily buying wispy sandals with high heels forgetting what it's like to walk over miles of wet turf.

The really well-dressed woman, who rarely gets her picture in the papers because photographers dearly love the picture frocks and big floppy hats for Ascot, does not vary her costume much from year to year. It is usually a beautifully tailored suit, either of fine silk or wool, with alternative hats and accessories for fine or rainy days.

**Black and white again**

This year when silk frocks with matching jackets are smarter than suits it is even easier to make a wise choice.

It is a well-tailored silk dress and jacket with a companion top coat of fine wool or grosgrain.

Then if it is one of those rarities "a perfect Ascot day," the dress goes by itself with a big hat and light accessories. If it's warm, but cloudy, the jacket goes with the suit. And if it's bad or uncertain the top coat goes, too, with a smaller hat and different accessories.

The forecast is for another admired it Miss Marshall black and white Ascot. Most of confessed it cost her only the best looking outfits I have £5 from a little Indian seen in preparation are in these tailor in Nairobi.

One of the nearest Ascot outfits will be worn by actress Zena Marshall. It is a coat dress, milliner Kate Day, who made several hats for the Queen's

**And the hat?**

WHAT is the perfect Ascot hat? I put this question to

Miss Day likes solid colours, with little trimming for wear in crowds. They stand out better than the multi-coloured hat.



FINE weather outfit (left) of dress and matching jacket in patterned silk with large hat, flimsy sandals and light gloves. DULL weather ensemble (right) adds a dark topcoat of wool or silk changes the hat to something small and practical, dark accessories and a slim umbrella.

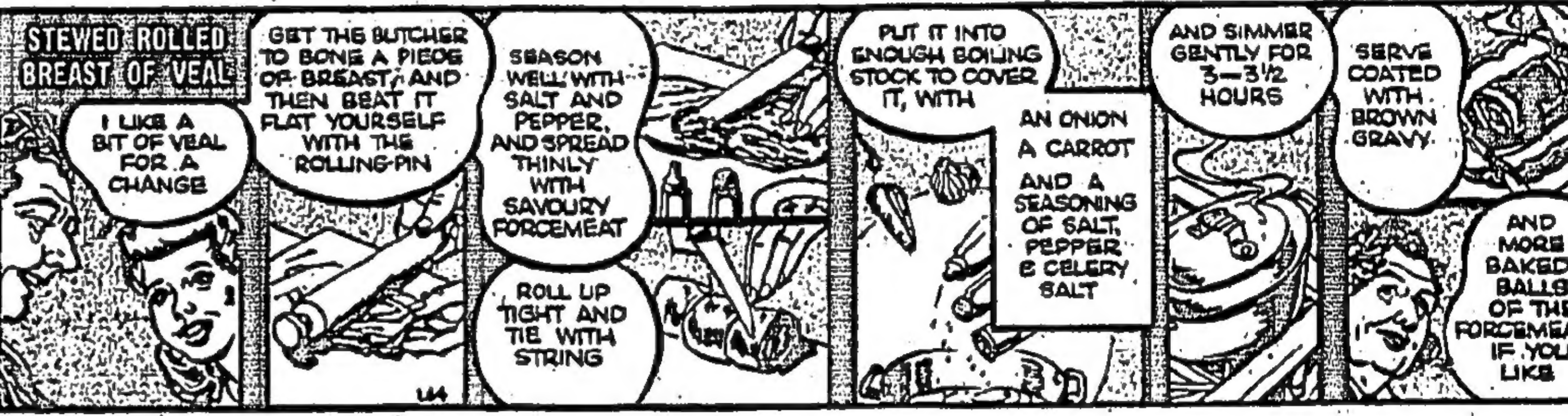
Australian tour, in white and shades of grey.

For lovely days it is large, cool and classic, she said. "For days of rain or wind, small, securely anchored."

Her suggestions for this year's black and white Ascot....

Dead white, cherry, emerald or burnt straw.

Rix has sketched fine and dull weather hats above. Left, navy bako straw with white tulle bow. Right, corn-coloured plisse straw trimmed shaded feather mounts.



STEWED ROLLED BREAST OF VEAL. GET THE BUTCHER TO BONE A PIECE OF BREAST, AND THEN BEAT IT FLAT WITH THE ROLLING-PIN. SEASON WELL WITH SALT AND PEPPER, AND SPREAD THINLY WITH SAUCY FOCMEAT. ROLL UP TIGHT AND TIE WITH STRING. PUT IT INTO ENOUGH BOILING STOCK TO COVER IT, WITH AN ONION AND A CARROT AND A SCORING OF SALT, PEPPER & CELERY SALT. AND SIMMER GENTLY FOR 3-3 1/2 HOURS. SERVE COATED WITH BROWN GRAVY. AND MORE BAKED BALLS OF THE FOCMEAT, IF YOU LIKE.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Pixie O'Scowl Turns Plumber

—He Has to Un-Fix the Hydrants for the Birds—

By MAX TRELL

"NOW you'd think," Pixie O'Scowl grumbled as he threw his bag of tools down, "that people would know better than to do some of the things they're doing. I'd have much less to bother about, I can tell you that! I'd not a chance to rest. Pool!"

Saying this, Pixie O'Scowl gave his bag of tools a kick, and instantly started hopping around on one leg and yelling, "O-ow!"

"My goodness, Pixie O'Scowl!" said Knarf, "what have you got in that bag?"

Knarf, the shadow-boy, peered inside the bag and said to his sister: "It's filled up with hammers and wrenches and screw-drivers and drills and rolls of wire and pieces of pipe and—"

**Plumbing Tools**

By this time Pixie O'Scowl had stopped hopping around. "They're plumbing tools," he said. "I have to be a plumber. Me, a plumber!"

**Need Food and Water**

"Well," Pixie O'Scowl went on, "birds, like anybody else, need food to eat and water to

drink. They get food all right. People throw them crumbs or corn-seeds or peanuts. But when it comes to getting water to drink, or water for a bath—pooh!" he exclaimed again.

"But Pixie O'Scowl," said Knarf, "they do get water to drink and to take a bath in. Why," she added the next instant as she suddenly thought of something, "there was a whole puddle of water at the end of the street where the hydrant was dripping! I saw the puddle this morning!"

Pixie O'Scowl jumped to his feet when he heard these words. "Yes! That's it! The puddle was there this morning! The hydrant was dripping this morning!... But this afternoon it's been fixed!"

"Fixed?" said Knarf, not quite understanding what Pixie O'Scowl was getting so excited about. "What's been fixed?"

"The hydrant! It's not dripping any more!"

Knarf and Knarf gazed at the pixie in amazement.

**Have to Un-Fix It**

"That's why I have to be a plumber! That's what I need

all those tools for! The hydrant's been fixed! Now I have to un-fix it!"

"You—you mean...make it drip again?" Knarf said.

"Certainly! How can the pigeons and the sparrows drink and bathe if no water comes out? That's the stupidity of people!" he shouted. They fix things that don't need fixing, and I have to go around with a bag of tools and keep un-fixing!"

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"Bah! Do you go to the park everytime you get thirsty? Do you go to the park when you have to take a bath?" And, angrier than ever, Pixie O'Scowl almost kicked his bag of tools again—remembered all at once that he shouldn't; then picked it up, slung it across his shoulder, and stomped off to un-fix the hydrant that wasn't dripping any more!

**Rupert and the Toy Scout—12**

Rupert wants to ask the Toy Scout what he has decided and from which side Santa Claus will come to Nutwood, but the little fellow drives off without waiting any longer. While they have been talking someone has been approaching unnoticed.

**RUPERT and the WRONG PRESENTS**

Ask Rupert and Knarf to buy you this book of gaily coloured drawings about Rupert's adventures. There's 27 pictures about his adventures.

Only 10p. Send 10p. to: Rupert's Book Club, 10, St. James's Place, London, W.1.

## Party Fancies To Make You A Popular Hostess

Soup is soup, so to dress it up a bit, why not do something special by way of an escort? Take soda crackers, soak them in ice water until chilled, arrange on a coolie sheet, brush with beaten egg whites, sprinkle with grated cheese. Let brown and puff up in fine style in a hot oven. A real company touch!

### Cobbler Salad

For a pretty gobbler salad do this: Prepare lettuce nests and on each stand up half an unpeeled red apple. Arrange 14-inch piece of banana on blossoms and of apple. Use tooth-picks to hold the bits and pieces of banana together, and pass the dressing.

For a nice starter, how about combining grapefruit segments and flaked crabmeat? Add sufficient tomato catsup to "bind" the ingredients, season with Worcestershire and a dash of tabasco. For the touch pretty, serve in grapefruit shells cut with a knife to make saw-tooth edges.

### Sweet Potatoes

For something elegant in the sweet potato line, come through with this one: Cut 8 medium-sized, cooked sweet potatoes in halves lengthwise, and place cut side down in shallow baking dish. Combine in top of double boiler 3/4 c. red currant jelly, 1/4 c. water, 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. grated orange rind, 1/2 tsp. each cinnamon and nutmeg, dash of all-spice and 2 tsp. butter. Cook over boiling water 2 min., beating constantly. Pour this mixture over potatoes and bake at 375 F. for 30 min., basting frequently. Yield: 6 portions.

One popular hostess we know serves a delicious oyster-filled loaf for her party supper. To serve 6-8 select an unsliced loaf of enriched yeast-raised bread, and cut off top, scooping out inside to leave 1/2-inch shell. Mix about 1/3 of the scooped-out crumbs with 3 tsp. butter and toast until golden brown in oven.

### Oysters In Butter

Saute 36 small, drained oysters in 1/4 c. butter about 5 min., or until plump and edges curl. Add 1/2 c. celery salt, 3/4 tsp. paprika, 1/2 tsp. pepper, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/2 c. light cream. Stir in carefully to combine, then fold in toasted crumbs. Brush edges of loaf with melted butter. Bake at 350 F. 20 to 25 min., or until loaf is heated through and brown on top. Sprinkle generously with paprika, garnish with minced parsley. To serve, slice with sharp knife.

And as a stirrup cup to speed departing guests, our friend serves piping hot, spiced cranberry juice. Heat tinned juice with a few cloves, a stick of cinnamon, and a bay leaf or bit of mace.

## Practical And Pretty

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**Pink sharkskin suit.**

By VERA WINSTON

CRUSH-resistant rays of pinkish in a luscious shade of pink is the wise choice for a practical and attractive summer suit that can be worn with or without a blouse. Fashioned on lines of classic simplicity, it closes with pearl buttons. The same detail is used for the slanting front pockets. The skirt is a smartly slim. This would be a good travel selection.

**White, 10 pieces.**

Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. Q-K2, any; 2. Q, R, B, Kt. or P (=Q or B) mates.

## BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

A good education enables a person to worry about conditions in all parts of the world.

Man's origin is put back 50,000,000 years by a scientist. "Well, but at times you've felt that old."







## SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



# Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The Seventh Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held on two consecutive Saturday afternoons, the first tomorrow and the second on May 17.

Each day's programme will consist of ten events, and it may be worth while to point out that half of tomorrow's races are sprint affairs and that a little care in noting the draw for positions may prove profitable.

The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on Saturday and the first race will commence promptly at 2.00 p.m. Here are my estimates of the chances.

## FIRST RACE

Birmingham Stakes (First Section): From 2 Mile Post.

The first event is confined to Class 9 ponies. Weight 147 lb. Jockey Allowance.

In the Shamshupo Handicap (First Section) on the first day of the Easter Meeting, Airfield (Mr. Chuang), carrying 144 lb. and Mr. Auchinleup, ran second to Tunny. This race was over six furlongs and as tomorrow's event is more suited to it, I think Airfield should just about win.

There is, of course, Arabion Moon (Mr. C. L. Liu) to be reckoned with. This pony came third in the above race, third section, and as it is also quite good over this distance, I expect to see it fairly near at the finish.

Sino Marshall (Mr. Yen Ching-lan) and Domino (Mr. T. L. Wong) have shown good form in their morning gallops and I am sure they will give the above two ponies a good fight to the end.

In Maple Bow (Mr. R. Tsai) we have a pony which is quite capable of upsetting calculations.

## SECOND RACE

Chester Handicap (First Section): From 1 1/2 Mile Post.

This sprint race, confined to Class 2 ponies, provides an interesting problem for punters. There are quite a number of ponies capable of winning, among these Half Moon Bay (Mr. T. L. Wong), Lani (Mr. Chun Kit), John Hallfax (Mr. F. Noott) and Blue Sky (Mr. Kwok).

Half Moon Bay, because of its win in the Matakook Handicap (Second Section) for Class 3 ponies at the Easter Meeting over this distance appeals to me most and I think it will win.

As a result of its previous disappointing run when it was beaten in the above sprint event by Half Moon Bay by one length, I expect that Lani will not be heavily backed. Nevertheless, I still believe that Lani is capable of winning and if it should fall again then look out for John Hallfax.

Blue Sky is not bad and if it will take it into its head to get off with the gate it should give a good account of itself against the others.

## THIRD RACE

Sussex Stakes: One Mile.

This race is confined to Subscription Ponies of 1952 with a proviso that ponies which have won \$1,000 or more in stakes are barred. Weight 147 lb.

Looking over the entries, the following should attract the most attention: Sola Knight (Mr. Chun Kit), Easy Siam (Mr. Kwok), Great Conqueror (Mr. F. Noott) and Trensurland (Mr. Hsu).

Sola Knight is greatly fancied in view of its fine track work last Saturday over the mile in 1.53 with a last quarter of 27.3, but on the other hand Easy Siam also did well over six furlongs last Saturday morning in 1.28.2—last quarter 28.1.

Great Conqueror should also have something to say in the finish, whilst Trensurland is quite good over this distance.

## FOURTH RACE

Shemfield Handicap (First Section): From 1 1/2 Mile Post.

The first section of Class 5 ponies will try conclusions in this sprint race. Judging from recent form amongst the entries, I fancy Fleetmaster (Mr. Kwok) to win although his failure in the Lachikok Handicap (Second Section) at the Easter Meeting, when it was unplaced, has been most disappointing.

English Cabbage (Mr. C. F. Ng) did well in securing first position in the Rocky Bay Handicap (Third Section) for Class 7 ponies at the last meeting and should be well supported. Debutante (Mr. F. Noott) is another pony to be watched, although it was unplaced the last time out.

I would recommend keeping Air Power (Mr. S. W. Tang) in mind, although I am of the opinion that Fleetmaster will win.

with English Cabbage second and Debutante third.

## FIFTH RACE

Birmingham Stakes (Second Section): From 2 Mile Post.

The second lot of Class 9 ponies will contest this event and an interesting race should ensue.

Priority, with Mr. E. S. Wong up, ran extremely well at the Easter Meeting to take third position in the Shamshupo Handicap (First Section) over six furlongs. As it will be taken over by Mr. Oliveira tomorrow afternoon, it should stand a good chance of winning.

Sulphur (Mr. I. C. Woo), which was third in the above race (second section) may like the distance and I expect it to give Priority a good run.

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The day's racing will wind up with another sprint event confined to third section Class 5 ponies.

In view of its previous win in the Matakook Handicap (Second Section) over six furlongs for Class 6 ponies, at the Easter Meeting, Huntmaster (Mr. Kwok) will not need command the most support, but with other capable sprinters among the entries, such as High Straight (Mr. Ostroff), the winner of the Third Section of the above race, and Sans Alout (Mr. Renfrew), a much improved pony, it will probably find the pace a little too fast.

I think it will still give either of the above two ponies a good fight.

The finish should be fought out between these three ponies, with Xerxes (Mr. Pote-Hunt) a possible outsider.

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# RECORDS SHOULD FALL AT KAI TAK QUADRANGULAR ATHLETIC MEETING

By "RECORDER"

Records should fall at the Quadrangular Athletic Meeting at Kai Tak on Sunday between the Royal Air Force, Army, South China Athletic Association and SSS (Skipton's Selected Spartans).

In grave danger is the Colony 1,500 Metres record. The Colony record holder, Sgt. J. P. MacMahon, again meets Gnr. E. Coburn, the newest long distance powerhouse, in this race. Peter West thinks the winning time will be between 4 minutes 9 seconds and 4:11. The Colony record is a modest 4:27.5.

Considerable interest is centred also in the question of whether Stephen Xavier will turn up the equivalent over metres of his 10 seconds and 22.1 seconds for the 100 and 220 Yards at the RAF Sports. He will certainly have the cream of local sprint talent to push him.

The entrance to the meeting on Sunday afternoon, commencing at 2 p.m., will be the first RAF entrance past the runway extension on the road to Ngachuiwan. This leads directly on to the RAF cricket ground.

Buses on Routes 5, 9, 13 and 14, all going to Ngachuiwan, pass the ground.

The following are the competitors:

100 Metres: ACII Xavier and Sgt. Hamzah (Army), CQMS Coleman and 2/Lt. Cave (Army), Wong Man-wan and Fung Kai-lee (SCAA), Quentin Almo and William McCall (SSS).

200 Metres: ACII Xavier and Sgt. Hamzah (RAF), CQMS Coleman and 2/Lt. Cave (Army), Shek Ka-lim and Chiu-Kit (SCAA), William McCall and William McCall (SSS).

400 Metres: F/O. Walton and LAC Babjan (RAF), Cpl. Bass and LAC Lockwood (Army), LAC Wing-chun and Leung Kam-po (SCAA), Roy Spencer and M. Wilcox (SSS).

800 Metres: ACI Hoskins and LAC Bogen (RAF), Sgt. MacMahon and L. McCord (Army), Lee Shu-chung and Cheung Cheuk-yin (SCAA), McKenzie and E. Morphy (SSS).

1,500 Metres: ACI Hoskins and Jnr. Tech. Milburn (RAF), Sgt. MacMahon and Gnr. Coburn (Army), Leung Yiu-lam and Wong Ka-lui (SCAA), C. Harding and N. Lee (SSS).

3,000 Metres: Jnr. Tech. Milburn and Cpl. Gregory (RAF), Cln. Taylor and L. Dyer (Army), Lee Kam-hung and Chan King-yin (SCAA), J. Smeath and E. Munro (SSS).

5,000 Metres: F/O. Norris, F/Lt. Roach, Sgt. Hamzah and ACII Xavier (Army), LAC Bogen, Kirk, Pte. Winter, 2/Lt. Cave and CQMS Coleman (South China AA), Shek Ka-lim, Chang Yat-hung, Lee Chiu-Kit and Wong Man-wan (SCAA), T. G. Carpenter, W. L. McCall and C. Almo (SSS).

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## Arms Haul At Barracks

Brighton, May 8.  
Two rifles, five revolvers and 400 rounds of ammunition were stolen in a raid on Preston Barracks, Brighton, during the night.  
A War Office spokesman said the weapons were not Service issue but weapons collected by the Police and handed over to the Army to look after before being sent to the Arms Depot to see if they were fit for salvage.—Reuter.

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Hong Kong, May 8, 1952.

## EISENHOWER SAYS:

# Resources Of The Free World Cannot Be Beaten

Copenhagen, May 8.  
General Dwight Eisenhower told cheering Danish university students tonight that the 14 free nations of the North Atlantic pact were vastly superior to any potential enemy held together by fear and secret police.

General Eisenhower flew to Denmark, one of the NATO countries, from Paris on a farewell tour and will go to Oslo tomorrow.

He returns to the United States about June 1 to enter politics.

He addressed more than 3,000 students in the courtyard of the Foreign Office and later spoke at a banquet where he heard himself described by the Danish Minister as "one of the leading Americans of our time."

General Eisenhower wore the blue ribbon of Knight of the Elephant, the highest Danish order.

He told the students: "I am going home now on account of special circumstances."

The apparent reference to political plans brought loud shouts of "We like Ike" from the students.

## VASTLY SUPERIOR

He continued: "The combination of 14 NATO countries for freedom and peace is vastly superior to any potential enemy. There is nothing which can match the resources of the free world."

"A potential enemy who is held together by fear, by secret police, where even a sister can be an informer about her brother, cannot overcome a free world held together in understanding, freedom and peace."

"If we fail, you and I, we would live under a dictatorship. You would then not only believe what the dictator says, but you would not be allowed to see or hear anything else."

"If Communism took over your country, your history would be distorted and made wrong."—United Press.

## Canberra Policies Under Fire

Canberra, May 8.  
The Australian Government's trade restrictions have dealt a most severe blow to internal trade and to financial relations between the United Kingdom and Australia, the opposition leader, Dr Herbert Evatt, told the House of Representatives last night.

Dr Evatt, who was speaking in the debate on the Treasurer's economic statement, said the blow came at a time when the Sterling Area was in difficulties, and "the United Kingdom occupied with serious problems of its own in sustaining the position of Sterling for us all."

"The restrictions themselves took their extravagant form precisely to hold a situation that should never have been allowed to deteriorate so seriously," Dr Evatt said.

They were apparently conceived also with reckless disregard for Australian development plans.

A Labour motion opposing the Treasurer's statement was defeated by 54 votes to 42.—Associated Press.

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## FOREST FIRE IN INDIA

Simla, May 8.  
Timber worth 215,000 was destroyed in a forest fire which raged for six days last week in the heart of the Sivallik Hills, near Simla, it was reported today.

Cries of animals trapped in the fire could be heard for miles around and considerable loss of wild life is feared.

The fire, which eye-witnesses said could be seen 25 miles away, swept over 6,000 acres of thickly wooded country. It is believed to have been caused by the carelessness of honey gatherers smoking out bees from their hives.—Reuter.

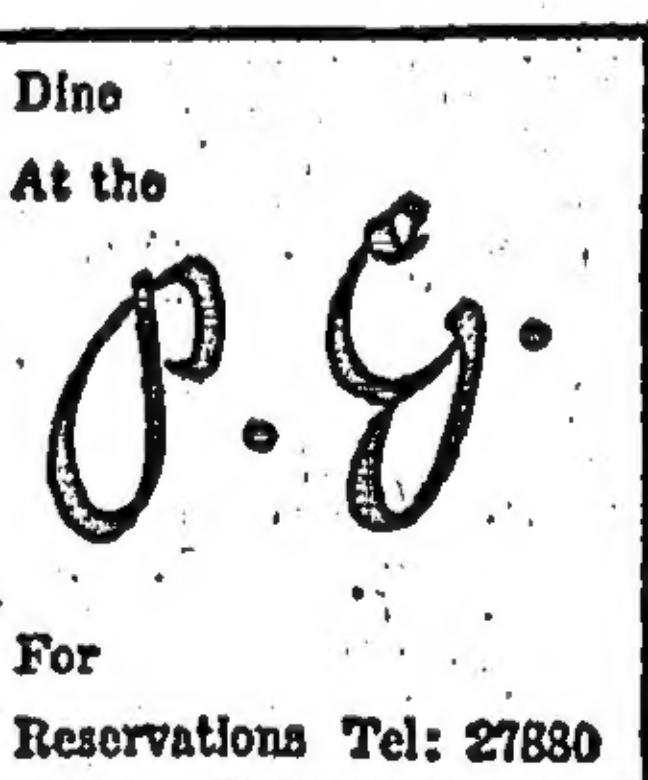
## To Earn Less From Wool

Auckland, May 8.  
New Zealand's dollar earnings from wool this season may be \$45,000,000 less than last year when they totalled \$72,000,000. Although the Dominion sold about the same amount of wool to the United States this year, about 150,000 bales, it sold only 23,000 to Canada, compared with 29,000 last year.

The average price received this season for wool bought under North American accounts was between 41 and 42 cents per pound compared with almost 88 cents last year.—United Press.

## "WRECK" WAS A WHALE

Nice, May 8.  
A "wrecked yacht" spotted in the Mediterranean yesterday by a French plane proved to be the rotting carcass of a whale. It was found between Nice and Corsica, near the place where the "wreck" was sighted. Six aircraft and French Navy launches took part in the search for the "wrecked yacht".—Reuter.



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